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SPECIAL EDITOR'S NOTE: My family (wife/OPDX's chief proof-reader Linda, Tedd [TJ], Katie) and I (KB8NW) would like to wish all DXers, Contesters and OPDX readers a very "Happy New Year". Also, we would like thank the many who have contributed information over the year (there are too many to list). Without them there would not be an OPDX Bulletin.

4F, PHILIPPINES. Look for Arie, PA3FWG, to be active from **January 1-20th**, as **4F1UFT**. His frequencies and modes activites are unknown at this time. QSL via home call.

9N, NEPAL (Plenty of activity from here!).

- Kazu, JA8MWU, will be in **Kathmandu** on business and also on holiday from now **until January 10th**. Kazu hopes to operate as **9N1WU** in his spare times. Look for him on all bands, mainly SSB. QSL via P.O.Box 1214, Kathmandu, Nepal (direct only). Don't send to JA Bureau.
- 15 members of the "Japan UNCEF Ham Club" members will be in Nepal on a study. They report that this is not a DXpedition, but they will be there until January 13th. They will operate with their own callsigns.
- Naoki, JE7RJZ, will be active from Nepal as **9N1JZ** (he hopes to receive this callsign) from **January 4-10th**. Naoki hopes to be active mainly on CW. QSL via JA7FWR
- Brad, KV5V, and his daughter, KC5RPK, are currently in Bangkok, Thailand, and will stay in the city until Thursday morning, **January 1st**. They will arrive in **Kathmandu** during the early afternoon and stay in Nepal **until January 13th**. Brad states that he will be able to operate from Dick's (9N1ARB) station using his callsign. Activity will be limited, because they plan to do some local travels and visit with friends in the evenings. When active, look for him on 80/40/20 meters. Brad states that he will listen for openings to the U.S. on 40m and 80m, and that he will fire up the station at 0100z on 20m and work the path as long as it stays open. Operations will be mainly CW and RTTY.

C5, THE GAMBIA. The "DX News Sheet" reports that Alan, G0SAH, will be active from here **until January 9th** as **C56/G0SAH**. He will be using a FT-800AT into a HF6 vertical. Alan may also activate one of the coastal islands (IOTA **AF-060**). QSL via home call.

L20XSI WRAPUP AND GACW NEWS. Alberto, LU1DZ, GACW Coordinator, provides OPDX with the following: "GRUPO ARGENTINO DE CW NEWS". The GACW reports the five day operation of L20XSI, the GACW 20th Anniversary station, which was active from Staten Island (SA-049) in the Tierra del Fuego Province (counts for DXCC as Argentina) made 5303 QSOs (4518 CW and 785 SSB). The report states QSLs should be ready in about 30 days, possibly a little more. The report also states that Hector/LU6UO and Ernie/LU4AXV are now active from Deception Island as LU1ZC. They arrived on the island on Tuesday, December 16th, after an airplane and icebreaker trip to the island. This island counts as South Shetlands, and the two operators will be active until the end of February. LU1ZC has been very active on CW on 40/20/15 meters and the WARC bands. QSL to LU6EF or the perferred address: GACW, Box 9, 1875 Wilde, Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA.

NEW OFFICIALS. The 1998 Officers for **Western Washington DX Club** have been announced. They are: President - W7TSQ, Bob Preston; Vice President - K7BTW, Dick Swanson; Secrectary - WA7BAY, Mike Schone; and Treasurer - N7LSL, Marina Zuettel. The Board of Directors are: W7JEN, Duncan Carman; K7ST, Adam Kerner (exAA7FT); N7TT, John Gohndrone; W7VV, Roger Huntley (ex N7IRR); W7QN, Joe Gregory and N6MZ, Mike Mraz.

PJ9, CURACAO. The "DX News Letter" reports that John, W1BIH, will be active as **PJ9JT** on all bands between **January 10th and March 31st**. QSL via W1AX.

QSL INFO AND NEWS......

- Roger, G3SXW, reports QSL requests for **5V7A** (CQWW CW Contest, November 29-30th -1997) are all answered and up-to-date. Those still arriving are being handled daily. Roger also states, "This is thanks to the grand efforts of GM3YTS who printed the cards within days of getting home, and especially the Herculean efforts of Tom, GM4FDM, our QSL manager. Splendid job, Tom. Many thanks indeed." Direct requests should go to GM4FDM: 3 King's Crescent, Elderslie, Renfrewshire, Scotland, PA5 9AD. Requests for bureau replies can be E-mailed to him at: wylie@sol.co.uk (Show just your call, date, time, band.) Note that outstanding requests for 5V7A in 1996 continue to go to Bill, GM4AGL, who still has the logs and blank cards. Tom, GM4FDM, is doing QSLing only for 1997. For more details about QSLing 5V7A (and much more) visit their web page at: http://www.getnet.com/~k7wx/5v7a.html
- Chris, KG6AR, QSL Manager for **FO8DX** states that the FO8DX cards are not back from the printers, and the cards should start coming out sometime in mid-January.
- Jari, OH1BOI, reports receiving a recent letter from RW6HS and the **RW6HS QSL Service** handles cards for the following stations (direct only):

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CE2EZE...CT3FF...DU1EIB...FP5EK...KP2J...OD5EH...OD5SE...

OD5NO...TA1AZ...TA2AO...TA2EM...VK4SJP...WP4AMS...YV5DEH...ZB2FK...

3DA0BL...3B8FQ...4Z5FW...9H1ED...9H1GY...9H0PJP...4Z5GP...4Z5BZ...

4Z5GV...4Z5DW...4Z5FB...EO6AHG...ER1OO...EX8A...EX8QA...EY7AH...

EY8VV...EZ5AD...EZ8AI...LY2ER...R1FJA...R1FJC...RA6WA...RA6WF...

RA0BY...RA0FAC...RA0FAN...RF6QAI...R11OA...R13B...R16O...R18BAM...
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R18BDN...R18OAA...R10OAA...RL2O...RL0O...RP6HWF...RV0AM...RZ9DX/O...
UA2FBR...UA2FGG...UA2FGU...UA2FFM...UA9CDE...UA9CDE/UA0B...
UA0BC...UA0BCU...UA01/UV3DDC...UA0QBQ...UA0Y/UA9YC...UD8DWC...
UE6ADI...UF6QAT...UF6QBA...UF6VAI...U18DAG...U18OAA...U19ABL...
U19BWO...U19B/RB3MO...UJ3I...UJ8JKK...UJ8SCH...UJ8SCI...UK5OA-Z...
UK8BN...UK8BAM...UK8BWO...UK8GBS...UK8FC...UK8IT...UK8OAN...UK8OB...
UK8OM...UK9ADL...UL7OB...UL7TX...UM4BWO...UM5BWO...UM51BWO...UM8QA...
UM8MO...UN2O...UN7AO...UN7TX...UU8I...4L1QBA...4K2BDU...4K2BY...
4K2OX...4K4BCU...4K4BDU...4K4CDE...4K4CDE/UL7B...4L1UN...4L6FU...
UK8IG...UK8IAO...UK8IWK...UK8AJ...U18IAW...R18AJ...UM9AA...UM8AWP...
UK8ABT...UK8ZAB...RU0LX/mm...4L1QX...4L6QQ...UK8ZAH...UK8ZC...UK8ZK...
UK8ZR...UK8ZU...YL2BI...ER2OG...4L1RK...UM8OM...4J8DX.
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RW6HS asks for a SASE with 2 IRCs per QSL. The address is: Vasil M. Kasyanenko,RW6HS QSL Service, P.O. Box 20, Georgievsk, Stavropolsky, Kraj 357800, Russia. The same address is also the address for the UA6 call area QSL-bureau.

• **ZS6Y** reports that no E-mail should not be sent to "zs6y@club42.co.za" because the service provider went "Belly Up". Any QSL request should be sent to QSL Manager **KK3S**.

RSGB "100 YEARS OF AMATEUR RADIO AWARD". Neville Cheadle, G3NUG, Chairman of the RSGB HF Committee, reports to OPDX that the RSGB has recently announced an award to celebrate 100 years of amateur radio in 1998. The new HF award will be issued for making 100 points during the course of 1998. The award is available to listeners on a `heard' basis. All claims must include a log extract certified by two licensed amateurs or an RSGB affiliated club official and a summary sheet of the points claimed per contact listed by callsign. The press release on the details of this award will be provided to OPDX InterNet Subscribers as an additional bulletin.

RTTY FROM THE ANTARCTICA. Raul, CX7BY, reports his friends Paul, EM1HO, and Roman, VP8CTR, will be active on all the bands in the next ARRL RTTY Roundup January 3-4th from Galindez Island (Antarctica).

SV/A, MT. ATHOS (**Possible new operator?**). "The Daily DX" reports that Dimitris, SV2YC, works for the bank of Thessalonique in Northern Greece which may be opening a branch in Mount Athos in **March**, **1998**. If he does get assigned to that location, he will try to obtain a license to operate.

T31, CENTRAL KIRIBATI. Norbert, DF6FK, will be active **until January 10th** as **T31BB** from **Canton Island**. His plan of operations in unknown. QSL via home call.

XW, LAOS. Zorro, JH1AJT, has been extended a special invitation to attend the 30th anniversary celebration of Khao Sanpathet Lao (KPL), the Lao News Agency, to take place in early January, 1998. In conjunction with the event, the Special Anniversary Commission has also extended permission for an international team of radio operators to conduct a DXpedition operation from Vientiane, Lao, January 5-13th. The team of operators will include Zorro/JH1AJT - teamleader, Yuki/XW1A, Frank/ AH0W/OH2LVG, Shin/JA0DAI, Toshio/JP1IOF, John/SM0DJZ and Erik/SM0AGD. The DXpedition will be an all-band, all-mode, multi-station effort with special emphasis on low bands and CW. Operations will also include an effort on 6 meters and RTTY. Special event callsigns for the DXpedition will be XW30 for CW and XW30A for SSB, RTTY and FM. PLEASE NOTE: The callsigns are

XW3-zero and **XW3-zero-A**. The QSL Manager will be SM0AGD: Erik Sjolund, Vestag.27, S-19556 Marsta, Sweden. Their operating frequencies will be announced at a later date. For more information, check the Midway-Kure DX Foundation WEB site at: mkdxf@aztec.asu.edu

ZK3, TOKELAU. "The Daily DX" states Peter, ZK3PM, who works for the New Zealand government, will be active from **Fakaofu Island** for the next **2 years**. Peter states he is not a DXer and does not have any QSLs cards. It is suggested that if you work him and want to QSL, you may want to send an index card or a generic QSL with all the information on it so he can sign it. The only QSN OPDX could find on him is that he was reported on December 23rd at 0625z on 14260 kHz. QSL via Peter McQuarrie, Fakaofu Island, Tokelau, South Pacific via Apia Samoa.

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OPDX SPANISH WEB SITE. (provide by "QTC Magazine" and Tony Pernas, EA1CSI): http://www.intercom.es/qtc/qtcopdx.htm

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